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Re: # 98P- 0151/CPI

As a consumer, I find it revolting that "downer" animals are not humanely destroyed as quickly as possible, but are instead legally slaughtered. I have seen video footage of disabled cows being pulled by chains, pushed by forklifts, and dragged by ropes attached to vehicles WHILE THEY ARE STILL ALIVE. These are animals, not machines, and deserve to be put out of their misery when they are mortally injured or ill. Their "meat" should not be used in any food, for human consumption, pet or livestock food.

Please stop the slaughter of downed animals, for the animals sake as well as the safety of the United States' meat supply.

Regards,

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